GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2843
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VIOLENCE AGAINST INDIAN DOCTORS IN UK
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has drawn its attention to the news item captioned "UK Mein Her Tisre Indian Doctor Ke Sath Hinsa" as reported in 'The Nav Bharat Times' dated February 25, 2008;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the Government has taken up this issue with the British Government; and

(d) if so, the outcome thereof ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS(SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a)- (b) A survey 'Violence in the workplace - The experience of doctors in Great Britain' was conducted by the British Medical Association in January 2008. The survey mentions that a third of UK doctors have experienced violence or abuse in the workplace in the last year. Doctors in training were the most likely group of doctors to report experience of violence or abuse in the workplace, followed by general practitioners. The majority of doctors, who reported experience of violence in the workplace, experienced some form of verbal abuse. Government of India have not received any complaints of violence against Indian doctors in UK.

(c)-(d) Do not arise.